

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Russia have signed an agreement on arms trade;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether India had any talks with third world countries or signed agreement with them for exports of arms and ammunitions manufactured in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): Under the Indo-Russian Inter Governmental Commission on Military Technical Cooperation there is a working group on shipbuilding, aviation and land forces which meets regularly to discuss bilateral issues related to Defence cooperation including arms trade.

(c) & (d): India has not signed any agreement with third world countries for export of arms/ammunition. However, India is exporting arms/ammunition to some countries as per their specific needs.